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Organisational matters

CHMP meeting 14-17 January 2013

The new EU Commissioner for Health and Consumer Policy, Tonio Borg paid a visit to CHMP, and expressed his highest appreciation for the work of the Committee. He also emphasised the importance of transparency and of maintaining a close and effective relationship.

The main organisational topics addressed during the January 2013 CHMP meeting related to:

- The procedure for review of direct healthcare professional communication (DHPC) by the Agency.
- The communication of safety referrals which will be published at three stages of a procedure, i.e. at the start and finalisation at PRAC level, followed by the communication at the time of CHMP/CMDh opinion. The current Question-and-answer document and press release used for communicating on safety referrals will be merged into a new document called 'EMA public health communication'.
- The adoption of new Rapporteur's and CHMP assessment report templates for extension of indication procedures. The templates will be published on the Agency's [website](http://www.ema.europa.eu) shortly.
- The report on the status of on-going CHMP activities according to the work programme for 2011-2013.

